

COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Covington Village Council met in a regular meeting on Monday, November 17, 2014 at the Village office at 1 S. High St. Covington. Mayor Ed McCord called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following roll call was taken for council:

Present:	Bud Weer
	Lois Newman
	Keith Warner
	Scott Tobias
	Doris Beeman
Absent:	Joyce Robertson

The council packet included minutes from the 11/03/14 meeting, check list (8059-8092), village administrator report, fund balance sheet, Ord 18-14, R29-14, R30-14, R31-14 and draft EMS contract.

Nonmembers present include Frank Patrizio-Attorney, Mike Busse-Village Administrator, Carmen Siefring-Fiscal Officer, Chief Harmon and the newspaper.

Agenda:

A motion was made by Newman and seconded by Beeman to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes:

The minutes from the 11/03/14 meeting are approved as read.

Bills/Financials

There were no questions regarding the fund balance sheet or bills. A motion was made by Weer and seconded by Beeman to approve the bills. All ayes. Motion carried.

Visitors – Brice from Access Engineering was present. He provided a project summary for the Spring Street project for each member of council which included the construction budget with change orders #1 & #2 and a contingency of 5% for a total of 2,247,505. The estimated engineering and inspection budget is \$170,000. The project summary included a funding summary and also a cost breakdown by fund. Brice will be present at the next council meeting where the Village Solicitor stated that the change orders will need to be approved by resolution. Brice requested a \$7,500 addition to the engineering contract for extra design work. This amounts to 2 ½% of the additional construction costs. A motion was made by Tobias and seconded by Beeman to approve the addition to the engineering contract. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mayors Report

- Mayor McCord presented a flipchart of the timeline for the 2015 sidewalk program. The sidewalks have already been marked. There will be a May 1st notification deadline for residents to notify the Village whether they will complete the work themselves or use the Village contractor.

- Mayor McCord presented the 2014 goals. He said he will have a draft list of goals for 2015 at the next meeting. Included on that list will be an upgrade to the Village website and beginning work on grants for High Street.
- The mayor thanked Tom and Kathy Carder, Mike Caldwell and Mike Busse for their work on Candlelight Christmas. The mayor said that there were approx 50 pictures with Santa the first weekend.
- There is a Chamber meeting at Resource One on 11/19/14.

Village Administrator Report-the following topics were addressed:

- Update on the progress of Spring Street.
- Miami County Engineer salt update – \$118.86/ton + trucking from Troy.
- M&T was the low bidder on the 110 Pearl Street demolition. The asbestos removal has begun. The county has committed \$21,996 towards the project. They are asking the Village to commit \$6004 towards the project to complete the demolition.
- Boehringer and Busse met with Alan Smith from CH2Mhill and toured the Pleasant Hill and Bradford wastewater plants.
- There will be a draft budget for Council's review at the December 15th meeting. Trash service analysis will be included with the budget review.
- Mr. Busse is currently working with Riverside of Miami County to provide custodial services for the Government Center.

Legislation

- A motion to suspend the rules was made by Beeman and seconded by Tobias. All ayes. Motion carried. A motion to approve *Ordinance 18-14 Authorizing the Village Administrator To Enter Into a 3-Year Contract With the City of St Marys for Income Tax Collection Services* was made by Beeman and seconded by Tobias. BW, DB, ST, KW – ayes. Newman – no. Motion carried. Mr. Busse was directed to check into hiring a part-time person to assist residents with the preparation of their income tax returns. Council mentioned possibly \$3000/year as an independent contractor.
- Council held the 2nd reading of Ordinance 17-14 *Authorizing the Village Police Department to Issue Parking Tickets and Establishing Penalties*.
- A motion was made by Tobias and seconded by Warner to *Authorize the Village Administrator To Sign All Paperwork and to Commit \$6004 Towards the Teardown of 110 N. Pearl St*. BW, JR, DB, ST, KW – ayes. LN – no. Beeman wanted it on record that she is not happy about the payment.
- Council held the 1st reading of Resolution R29-14 *Authorizing the Village Administrator to Enter into a 4-Year Contract with the Covington Rescue Squad for Emergency Medical Services at a Contract Amount of \$97,000*.
- A motion to suspend the rules was made by Weer and seconded by Beeman. All ayes. Motion carried. A motion to approve *Resolution R30-14 Authorizing the Village Administrator to Advertise for Sealed Bids to Sell the White Two-Car Garage* was made by Beeman and seconded by Weer. All ayes. Motion Carried.

- Karl Woschitz from DPL Energy was present with a 41-month agreement offer from DPL Energy Resources Inc. The renewal offer increases from .053/kwh in 2014 to .0649 for the next 41-month period. A contract with DPL Energy also includes a 3% discount on our street lighting contract. The change in kwh pricing will increase the Village utility account expense by approximately \$10,000/year. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Beeman and seconded by Warner. All ayes. Motion carried. A motion to Approve *Resolution R31-14 Authorizing the Village Administrator to Enter into an Agreement with DPL Energy for Discounted Electric* was made by Beeman and seconded by Newman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Executive Session

none

Adjourn

A motion was made by Weer and seconded by Newman to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.
8:11

Fiscal Officer

Mayor